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TO AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

INFO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

AMEMBASSY PANAMA

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SUBJECT: BANANAS: US IMPORT AND PRICE DATA FOR MAY

REF: (A) STATE 113626; (B) STATE 104034

1. THE FOLLOWING DATA UPDATES REFTELS.

----	PERCENTAGE
----	CHANGE
-- U.S. IMPORTS	IN IMPORTS,
-- OF BANANAS	MAY 1974
-- FORMAY	COMPARED TO

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COUNTRY 1974 (000 LBS) 1973 (000 LBS) MAY 1973

COSTA RICA	108,670	86,928	PLUS 25.0
ECUADOR	98,907	74,496	PLUS 32.8
GUATEMALA	50,542	29,912	PLUS 70.0
HONDURAS	74,324	156,615	-52.6
NICARAGUA	17,496	16,751	PLUS 4.5
COLOMBIA	16,511	11,992	PLUS 37.7
PANAMA	12,646	25,104	-49.6
MEXICO	634	469	PLUS 35.2
VENEZUELA	262	740	-64.6
TOTAL	380,000	400,000	- 5.0

1974 DATA IS BASED ON USDA QUARANTINE INSPECTIONS. 1973

DATA IS BASED ON ACTUAL BUREAU OF CENSUS CALCULATIONS.
FINAL BUREAU OF CENSUS FIGURES FOR 1974 MAY DIFFER SLIGHTLY FROM USDA FIGURES.

2. THE BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS REPORTS THE IMPORTER
SELLING PRICE FOR BANANAS FOR MAY AS \$3.80 PER 40LB
BOX (AVERAGE PRICE TAKEN ON TUESDAY OF WEEK IN WHICH 15TH
OF MONTH FALLS).

3. WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (40LB BOX) ON THE NEW YORK
AND SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS FOR JUNE (COMPLIED BY USDA)
WERE:

NEW YORK	SAN FRANCISCO
JUNE 3 6.00 - 6.50	6.60 - 6.80
JUNE 7 5.25 - 6.00	6.60 - 6.80
JUNE 14 4.50 - 5.00	N.A.

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